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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty to disclose information pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, Applicants hereby notify the US Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem relevant to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application. One copy of each of these documents is attached.

US Patent No. 5,758,332, listed on the Form PTO-1449 on line AA, corresponds to CN 1121217A cited in the enclosed Chinese Office Action.

Applicants enclose herewith a copy of a Chinese Office Action citing CN 1121217A, and a partial English translation of the Chinese Office Action.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits or expiration of the three month period following the filing date or the entry of the national stage for the above-captioned application, but prior to the mailing date of a final Office action, a Notice of Allowance, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application, and therefore Applicants are filing concurrently herewith a Statement under 37 CFR 1.97(e)(1). No fee under 37 CFR 1.17(p) is required.

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OTHER DOCUMENTS

_____	AK	Chinese Office Action dated August 5, 2005 corresponding to Chinese Patent Application No. 01143422.8
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